In re application of ICHIHARA, et al.

New Application

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For: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING FLUOROALKYLCARBOXYLIC ACID

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Preliminary to the examination thereof, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 4, lines 1 and 2, delete "any one of claims 1-3", and insert therefor --claim 1--.

Claim 6, lines 1 and 2, delete "any one of claims 1-4", and insert therefor --claim 1--.

REMARKS

The above amendments are being made in order to place the application in better condition for examination and to reduce the filing fee.

Favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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